Patent Case No. 21151

JUL 3 0 2007 WHE UN

HE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of: RS. Nargund et al.

Serial No.: 10/730,704

Filed: December 8, 2003

Group Art Unit: 1614

For: ACYLATED PIPERAZINE DERIVATIVES AS MELANOCORTIN-4 RECEPTOR AGONISTS

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER § 1.136(a)

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

Examiner: Phyllis G. Spivack

Applicant(s) hereby petition(s) to the Commissioner for Patents for an extension of the shortened statutory period for replying to the outstanding Office Action dated 3/29/2007 in the above-identified application. A response to said Action is (is not) attached hereto.

Please charge the following fee to Deposit Account No. 13-2755:

X	\$120 First Month Extension
	\$450 Second Month Extension
	\$1020 Third Month Extension
	\$1590 Fourth Month Extension
	\$2160 Fifth Month Extension

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account 13-2755. Duplicate copies of this sheet are enclosed.

I hereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited with the United States Postal Service as first class mail in an envelope addressed to: Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450, on the date appearing below.

By Lite Date 7/27/2007

IN DUPLICATE

132755
023 DA
00000023
HDESTA1
30/2007 FC:1251
/30 FC

Date: July 27, 2007

07